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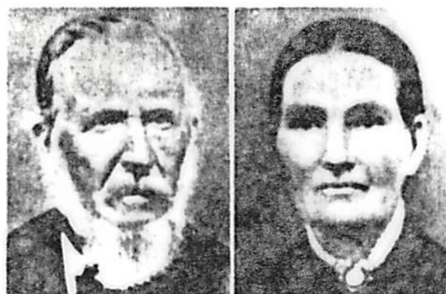
Henry McMullin, Sr. was born in the State of Maine. When a young man he married Mary Pierce. To them were born four sons, Calvin, Albert, Alfonso and Henry L., while they yet lived in Maine. Henry was a carpenter and ship builder. His family was well to do and had extremely comfortable surroundings. About 1845 the Mormon Missionaries succeeded in converting this family. They decided they could not live their religion and remain in their comfortable homes. By 1855 they decided they must gather with their kind in far away Utah.

Henry and his wife fitted teams and wagons with all possible comforts. Just before they left they lost their first born son. This event nearly lost Wasatch County a fine group of citizens as they felt they could not leave the newly made grave. By 1858 the McMullins had reached Provo Canyon near Vivian Park and opened a sawmill. In 1861 the move to Heber was made.

Being a carpenter and ship builder stood him in good stead. He built houses and barns, etc, using pegs instead of nails. Since there were no planing mills these were made by hand. The early deaths in the valley were buried in coffins made by Mr. McMullin. The first hotel in Heber was built where Ashton's property now stands by this master builder.

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HENRY AND MARY PIERCE McMULLIN



Henry McMullin was the only son of Archibald and Sarah Lufkin McMullin. He was born January 10, 1816, at Vinal Haven, Knox, Maine, and died May 3, 1886, in Heber City. Mary Pierce McMullin was the daughter of Josiah and Susan Trundy Pierce and was born October 31, 1842, at Vinal Haven. They owned and lived in their own home, which made them quite independent. Josiah passed away October 31, 1895, in Heber City.

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Their children were: Heber Joseph, Samuel Francis, Prudence Juliett, Daniel Alva, Percy Elizabeth, Mary Jane, Jesse Monroe, Thomas Arthur and Ruth Leone.

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Carpentry Home Open House Announced

Wave 31 May 1984

Wasatch County (LRJ) An open house is announced by the Wasatch High School carpentry class. The house that the class built this last school year will be the location of the celebration. It is located at 950 South 100 West, Heber City. The public is invited to visit the project any day from June 4th through June 8th. The open house hours are 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. each day.

Mr. Karl North, the instructor and building supervisor, has had a project like this for the past years. His students receive on the job training in many phases of construction. They donate their labor for the experience of handling the materials and the challenges. A prospective builder supplies the land and materials and has an opportunity to help educate future builders as well as receive some labor without cost.

The classes have built many fine structures in the past and invites your inspection and appreciation.

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